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SUBJECT: REPORTED ORGANIZATION OF ZONITES

1. IN AN EDITORIAL ON APRIL 23- ENTITLED "NECESSITY OF MORAL ENTERPRISES", EXCELSIOR PICKED UP AND ENDORSED A PHRASE APPARENTLY USED BY GENERAL TORRIJOS DURING HIS RECENT VISIT HERE. THE EDITORIAL SPOKE PRINCIPALLY OF THE CURRENT BANANA SCANDAL BUT ALSO EXPRESSED CONCERN ABOUT THE CANAL NEGOTIATIONS AND INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT, "IT IS NO SECRET FOR ANYBODY THAT THE HIGH COMMAND IN THE CANAL ZONE HAS ENCOURAGED THE FORMATION OF GROUPS OF 'ZONITES', RECALCITRANT SETTLERS SIMILAR TO THE 'ULTRAS' WHO WERE ORGANIZED IN ALGIERS AGAINST THE POLICY OF DECOLONIZATION OF PRESIDENT DE GUALLE, WHO ASPIRE TO PROCEED IN THE CANAL ENCLAVE WITH THE SUPPORT OF THE 'RIGHTISTS' WHO ARE NATIVES OF THE ZONE AND HAVE BEEN FOR THREE GENERATIONS..... A PRESSURE GROUP IN SUCH A CRITICAL ZONE SUGGESTS AGGRESSIVE INTENTIONS."

2. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE ANY BACKGROUND ON ALLEGED CREATION

OF VIGILANTE TYPE ORGANIZATIONS IN THE CANAL

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